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Rather than staying the action, the Court instead hereby EXTENDS the deadline for fact discovery through and until **February 13, 2024**. In light of that extension, the pretrial conference scheduled for December 18, 2024, is hereby ADJOURNED to **February 18, 2024**, at **9:00 a.m.** The Clerk

<u>Via ECF</u>

The Honorable Jesse M. Furman

ADJOURNED to February 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. The Clerk
Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse of Court is directed to terminate ECE No. 33. SO ORDERED.

40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

August 27, 2024

Re: Patterson v. Wildlife Conservation Society, Case No. 24-cy-00171-JMF (S.D.N.Y.)

Dear Judge Furman,

We write jointly with defense counsel pursuant to Rule 4.A of the Court's Individual Rules and Practices to request that the Court stay this matter pending the Parties' upcoming mediation with The Diane M. Welsh (Ret.), formerly of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and now a private mediator.

The Parties have agreed to mediate with Judge Welsh on November 5, 2024, the first mutually-available date. The Parties note that they have exchanged written and document discovery and believe they now have enough information to intelligently analyze the strengths and weaknesses of this case. The Parties therefore respectfully submit that judicial economy and the interests of the Parties would be best served by a stay of this matter to allow them to preserve their resources and focus their attention on the mediation. The Parties will submit a joint status report within 5 business days of the conclusion of the mediation. Accordingly, the Parties respectfully submit that the Court: (i) stay this matter; and (ii) order the Parties to submit a joint status report on the status of their resolution efforts, including whether a new case schedule should be put in place, by November 13, 2024.

Very truly yours,

Philip L. Fraietta

CC: All counsel of record (via ECF)